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## **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the entire section headed "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS", beginning on page 1, line 5 of the disclosure, with the following replacement section:

## CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) of PCT Patent Application Serial No. PCT/US02/30617, filed September 25, 2002 and published on April 3, 2003 as WO 03/026482 which is incorporated herein by reference and which claims the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) from U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/325,424, filed September 25, 2001.